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FOR: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION COMPRISING L-CARNITINE OR  
ALKANOYL L-CARNITINE FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF  
DISEASES BROUGHT ABOUT BY LIPID METABOLISM DISORDERS

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed July 2, 2001, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections of record in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel Claim 19.

Please amend Claims 11-18, 20 and 24 as follows:

--11. (Amended) A composition comprising:

(i) a first component selected from the group consisting of acetyl L-carnitine, a salt thereof and an ester thereof; and

(ii) a second component selected from the group consisting of a hydroxycitric acid and a hydroxycitric acid derivative.

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